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INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Ships Under Repair

- a. KULOI on which rubber cables, 5 cm. in diameter, have been installed in the forward part of the ship. The aft is being fitted with empty containers to give buoyancy for her function as an icebreaker (Sperrbrecher).
- b. S.U. 6 was built in in 1934/1935. The crew has been paid, and only sentries are on board. The mast is still sheathed, and turbines and boilers 25X1 have been removed and are being repaired.
- c. T-Class Minesweepers Job Nos. 16 and 17 are still under repair.

2. New Construction Program

a. Freighters

- (1) No. 2 is scheduled for sea trials 16 March 1954.
- (2) Nos. 5 and 6 are to be delivered to East Germany. They have not been accepted because of structural deficiencies; modifications are in progress.
- (3) No. 10 was launched early in March 1954.

b. Salvage Vessels (Hebeschiffe)

- (1) No. 1 performed sea trials 21 January, returned 30 January.
- (2) No. 2 " " 28 January to 31 January.

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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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c. Trawlers

The keel of the second trawler was laid in early March.

3. Planned Construction

It is planned to build a supply ship of 1,500 tons for delivery to the USSR. According to present estimates, this will cost 5,000,000 eastmarks, a figure which the Russians refuse to pay. Negotiations are still proceeding, but no work has begun yet.

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